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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the Amendment of October 20, 2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 26-47 (now renumbered 1-22).
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
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4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
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7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 26 through 47 (now renumbered 1 through 22) are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The prior art of record neither teaches nor suggests all of the elements of claim 26, in combination, and particularly:

"wherein the first optical system includes, an optical integrator which has a plurality of lenses with different optical powers in the first plane and different optical powers in a second plane including the normal and being orthogonal to the first plane, and a condenser lens with an optical power in the first plane, which guides the illumination luminous flux emitted from the optical integrator to the illumination surface,

wherein light intensity distribution of the illumination luminous flux on the illumination surface represents a relationship between light intensity and incident angle to the illumination surface, and

wherein, in the light intensity distribution, an incident angle width at which the light intensity reaches half of a peak value in the first plane is twice or more an incident angle width at which the light intensity reaches half of a peak value in the second plane."

Independent claims 36 and 45, include the same limitation set forth above and therefore allowable for the same reasons.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably


accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Melissa J. Koval whose telephone number is (571) 272-2121. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Judy Nguyen can be reached on (571) 272-2258. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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